PRESENT

FOR

GOOD BOYS AND GIRLS.

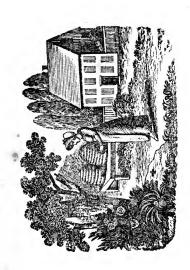


GREENFIELD.

A. Phelps.

CHILDREN'S BOOK
COLLECTION
LIBRARY OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
LOS ANGELES

Cam- L. Z



PRESENT.

FOR

GOOD BOYS' AND GIRLS.



GREENFIELD, MASS.

4. Phelps....1844

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{Y}



SPANIARDS.

The Spaniards are for the most part moderately tall and thin, their features are regular, their hair and eyes are of a dark color. The men shave their beards, but leave mustachois on their upper lip. The women are generally slender, and take great pains to acquire and preserve a genteel shape.

Their regard for the female sex is very great. It is common for a well-bred man to approach a lady with his knees bended, kissing her hands.

Among the follies and vices of the Spaniards, may be ranked their unreasonable contempt of other nations, their pride and vanity, their indolence, avarice and insatiable thirst for revenge.

NEGROES DANCING.

Here they are, and how happy they look. The Negroes are cheerful, kind, and generally well disposed.

The Mandingo Women early instil into their children, a reverence for truth.— The principal expressions that grief for the loss of a son extorted from an African mother, were, "He never told a lie, he never told a lie."

This is a high tribute to the character of the Negro children, and one that I hope may always be said of you, my daughter, and of all my little readers.



NATIVE AMERICANS.

THE native American Indians, are of a dark copper color, have black hair, and small eyes, high cheek bones, and frequently flat noses, and are spread in small tribes over almost the whole of the vast continent of America.

Several tribes of the American Indians conclude every business, however serious and important, by dancing, in which old and young join, till their strength is exhausted.

They are very superstitious, and seem to stand in great awe of the owl, and are highly displeased if any person imitates the hooting of that bird in the night.



ITALIANS,

This picture, Mary, represents the costume of the Italians. Can you tell me what is said of that country, and why they are called Italians? Yes, mother, their country is said to be one of the most beautiful in Europe, the soil fertile, and the climate delightful. They take the name of Italians from Italy the country in which they live. Geography and History are useful studies, and Iho peyou will not neglect them,



CAFFRES.

The Caffres are of a black grey color, and like the Hottentots, have a few tufts of beard on the chin. They are well formed, hardy and active. The native tribes dress chiefly in the skins of sheep, which the Hottentots wear with the wool, generally in the form of a cloak, open before. This is called a carosse. The Caffres dress in leather, which they have the art to render very pliant. They live upon flesh, milk, melons, &c. They use no salt. They eat no pork, geese, hares, or fish. The latter they suppose to be a kind of serpent.



MOORS.

The Moors are of a swarthy complexion. They are indolent and unsocial.—
They never laugh, and have few amusements.

They have piercing black eyes, teeth, white and glittering, a dark complexion and black hair. Now Charles, I want you to tell me what the ruler of one of their tribes is called. He is called a Schiek. That is correct. The Schiek is the officer, or Governor, to whom the government of the tribe is committed.



SOUTH AMERICANS.

The population of South America, like that of Mexico, is composed of traders, Indians and Negroes, and the different mixed races. In dress, the ladies follow the Spanish fashion. The mantilla is generally worn. Provisions are very cheap. If a persen buys something at a store, worth less than 5 cents, he receives several eggs with the merchandize. They are fond of show, and some of them wear a ring in their nose by way of ernament-



NATIVE MEXICANS.

The native Mexican or Indian race, are hardy, and though subjected to great hardships, frequently live to a great age, often to 100 years. Their hair seldom turns grey. The European dress is now sommon in Mexico.

Now, Mary, have you so studied your Geography that you can tell me what is the capital city of Mexico? Mexico, mother. You have answered right, my shild. Mexico is the capital, and is considered as one of the most beautiful cities in the world.



SOCIETY ISLANDERS.

The natives of these islands, formerly dark and benighted pangans, have within a few years past, through the instrumentality of the English Missionaries, been converted to the Christian religion.

The natives of these islands are of a tawny complexion, black hair, and generally well made, active and vigorous, but rather inclined to be indolent.



TURKS.

The Asiatic Turks are in general well made and robust—their complexions naturally fair, and their features handsome. They are much addicted to smoking.—Here you see one with a pipe in his band.

The women are generally beautiful, extremely well made, and inclined to be fat. The deportment of the Turks is solemn, grave and slow, and they affect to appear sedate and humble, but they are easily provoked, and when excited are furious and ungovernable.

The Ladies wear drawers very full, which reach to the shoes.



We will now undertake to give the little reader some account of the people called the

CHINESE.

The Chinese are large and fat men, with well proportioned limbs, round, broad faces, small eyes; large eye-brows, high eyelids, and small sunk noses. They have only seven or eight tufts of hair on each lip, and very little on the chin.—There is no country in the world where the women are kept in a greater state of humiliation than in China.



SWEDES.

Here, my child, you have a picture of the people called Swedes. Do you know, Mary, why these are called Swedes? Yes, mother, it is because the country they live in is called Sweden. The country is covered with rocks, woods, and mountains. The inhabitants are peaceable. Theft, murder, and other base crimes, which are known in our country, are very uncommon among them. They are much distinguished for their love of country.



HINDOOS.

The Hindoos from all antiquity have been divided into four great tribes, each of which comprehends a variety of inferior castes.

They are a nation of idolators, and as a people are sunk low in the degrading depths of ignorance and superstition.—By idolater you will understand a person that does not worship the true God who made Heaven and Earth, and Sky, and all things.

Attempts are now making to introduce the gospel among them by means of Christian Missionaries, and if they succeed, the Hindoos will be much happier.



RUSSIANS.

The Russians are, in general, hardy, vigorous, and patient of labor, especially in the field, to an incredible degree.—Their complexions differ but little from those of the English and Scots, but the woman use a sort of rouge to heighten their beauty. Their eye-sight seems to be defective, occasioned probably by the snow, which for a great part of the year is continually on the ground.

The Russian peasants are a coarse, hardy race, and of great bodily strength.



HOTTENTOTS.

The Hottentots are as tall as most Europeans, but their hands and feet are small in proportion. They are not very cleanly in their persons. Their dress consists principally in besmearing their bodies all over with fat, in which is mixed a little soot. This is never wiped off, so that the dust and other filth, together with the sooty ointment, continually adheres to the skin, the natural hue is concealed, and changed from a bright amber brown to a brownish yellow color.



AFRICANS.

The most remarkable in the variety of the human species, are the Negroes of Africa. They are about the usual height of the Europeans, but are distinguished from the latter by the black color of their skins, their woolly heads, flat noses and thick lips. These people inhabit all the coasts and interior of Africa, between the tropics, and have been retained in a barbarous state, by the effects of the slave-trade.

It is said of the Guinea negroes, in general, that their genius is quite limited and that some of them are never able to count beyond the number three.



ICE MOUNTAINS OF THE FRIGID ZONE.

All the inhabitants of the northern frigid zone are of a deep brown color approaching to blackness. Their statues are sunk by cold to a diminutive size; and their countenances are as ferocious, as their manners are savage. Their usual height is four feet.

Two inhabitants of Nova Zembla were brought to Copenhagen a few years ago; and they pined for want, till they met with some train-oil, which they drank with the same relish as we would drink chocolate or wine; and they danced in ecstacy, when they found they were to be sent back to their own country.



SOUTH-SEA ISLANDERS.

The inhabitants of Otaheite are a stout, well-made, active, comely people. Their complexion is of a pale brown color, their hair black, and finely frizzled, they have black eyes, flat noses, large mouths, and fine white teeth. Both sexes have a custom of staining their bodies, which they call TATTOOING, by which the hinder part of their thighs and loins are marked very thick with black lines in various forms.—The manner of singling out a man here for a chosen friend is, by taking off a part of your clothing and putting it upon him.



FRENCH.

The French are slender, active, well proportioned, and rather shorter than their neighbors; less subject to deformities than the people of most nations. Their eyes and hair are black, and their complexion brown. A French writer says, the ladies in France are as celebrated for their beauty as they are for vivacity, and those graces and charms which adorn the sex. The peasantry, both male and female, are generally very ordinary, and are said by English travellers, to form a remarkable and striking contrast to those of the same rank in England.



ENGLISH.

The English are remarkable for national pride. All nations love their respective countries, but the English show it in the highest, and the Germans perhaps in the lowest degree.

They are generous, open, and frank, though it must be admitted that they are much inclined to make known their acts of generosity, and preserve the memory of their good deeds.

Courage marks the English character, and though they have this in common with other nations, yet they seem to maintain a superiority in being the least fearful of death.



